

Application Serial No. 10/643,430
Amendment dated July 16, 2004
Reply to Office Action dated April 16, 2004

Remarks/Arguments

The Examiner rejected claims 1, 2, 22-27, 29 and 30 under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Rossi et al. Claims 3-7 and 28 were objected to. Claims 8-21 were allowed.

Claims 1-3 were combined as a claim 31 and claims 26-28 were combined as claim 32. Claim 4 was amended to change its dependency from claim 3 to claim 31. Claims 1-3 and 22-30 were canceled.

The present application should be ready for issuance.

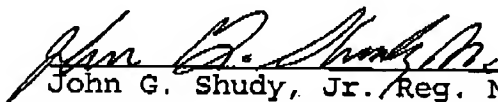
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